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## NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization - Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website (www.epingalert.org) from 22 to 28 June 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from United States and Thailand:

Document	Notifying	Relevant	Products	Summary
Symbol	Member	Dates	Covered	
G/TBT/N/U SA/1055/A dd.2	United States	Date of Distribution: 28 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Motor vehicles - Addendum	This document denies a petition, submitted by Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, the Truck Safety Coalition, Citizens for Reliable and Safe Highways, and Parents Against Tired Truckers, for reconsideration of a final rule (notified in G/TBT/N/USA/1055/Add.1) amending Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 223, "Rear impact guards," and FMVSS No. 224, "Rear impact protection." The final rule, published on 15 July 2022, upgraded NHTSA's standards addressing rear underride protection in crashes of passenger vehicles into trailers and semitrailers by requiring rear impact guards to provide sufficient strength and energy absorption to protect occupants of compact and subcompact passenger cars impacting the rear of trailers at 56 kilometers per hour (km/h) (35 miles per hour (mph)).89 Federal Register (FR) 53505, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 571
<u>G/TBT/N/T</u> <u>HA/702/Re</u> <u>v.1</u>	Thailand	Date of Distribution: 25 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 24 August 2024	Heavy motor vehicle equipped with positive ignition engines : safety requirements - Revision	The draft Ministerial Regulation mandates heavy motor vehicles equipped with positive ignition engines to conform to the Thai Industrial Standard TIS 3044- 2563(2020) Heavy Motor Vehicle Equipped with Positive Ignition Engines: Safety Requirements; Emission from Engine, level 4.
<u>G/TBT/N/U</u> <u>SA/2037/A</u> <u>dd.2</u>	United States	Date of Distribution: 25 June 2024 Deadline for	Fuel economy standards for passenger cars and light trucks for model years	The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), on behalf of the Department of Transportation (DOT), is finalizing Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards for passenger cars and light trucks that increase at a rate of 2 percent per year for

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ſ		Comments:	2027 - 2032	passenger cars in model years (MYs)
		Not indicated	and fuel	2027-31, 0 percent per year for light
			efficiency	trucks in model years 2027-28, and 2
			standards for	percent per year for light trucks in model
			heavy-duty	years 2029-31. NHTSA is also finalizing
			pickup trucks	fuel efficiency standards for heavy-duty
			and vans for	pickup trucks and vans (HDPUVs) for
			model years	model years 2030-32 that increase at a
			2030 -2035-	rate of 10 percent per year and model
			Addendum	years 2033-35 that increase at a rate of 8
				percent per year.

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at <u>BPS@dti.gov.ph</u> copy <u>bps.smd@dti.gov.ph</u>.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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